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Title: Method and Apparatus for Scheduling Traffic to Meet Quality of Service Requirements in a Communication Network

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated March 20, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A' -- FIG. 1 shows an illustrative embodiment of the invention as implemented in a portion of a communication network.--

REMARKS

The present application was filed on September 10, 1999 with claims 1-28. In the outstanding Office Action dated March 20, 2003, the Examiner: (i) rejected claims 1, 3, 14, 16, 27 and 28 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,092,115 to Choudhury et al. (hereinafter "Choudhury"); (ii) rejected claims 2 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being